

****NOT FOR PRINTED PUBLICATION****

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
LUFKIN DIVISION

SCOTT COTTON	§	
VS.	§	CIVIL ACTION NO. 9:21-CV-172
TEXAS DEP'T OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE, ET AL.	§	

ORDER ACCEPTING THE MAGISTRATE
JUDGE'S REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION

Plaintiff Scott Cotton, a prisoner confined at the Eastham Unit of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, Correctional Institutions Division, proceeding *pro se*, filed this civil rights action pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983.

The Court referred this matter to the Honorable Zack Hawthorn, United States Magistrate Judge, at Beaumont, Texas, for consideration pursuant to applicable laws and orders of this Court. The Magistrate Judge has submitted a Report and Recommendation of United States Magistrate Judge. The Magistrate Judge recommends dismissing the action without prejudice pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 41(a).

The Court has received and considered the Report and Recommendation of United States Magistrate Judge filed pursuant to such order, along with the record and the pleadings. No objections to the Report and Recommendation of United States Magistrate Judge were filed by the parties.

ORDER

The findings of fact and conclusions of law of the Magistrate Judge are correct, and the report of the Magistrate Judge (docket entry #16) is **ACCEPTED**. Plaintiff's motion to dismiss (docket entry #15) is **GRANTED**. A final judgment will be entered in this case in accordance with the Magistrate Judge's recommendation.

SIGNED this the **4** day of **January, 2022**.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Thad Heartfield", written over a horizontal line.

Thad Heartfield
United States District Judge